Inspector General

Michael J. Missal Inspector General



The Honorable Michael J. Missal was nominated by President Barack H. Obama to serve as the Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) on October 2, 2015, and confirmed by the Senate on April 19, 2016. He assumed responsibility as Inspector General on May 2, 2016.

As Inspector General, Mr. Missal directs a nationwide staff of auditors, investigators, inspectors, and support personnel. His office conducts investigations, audits, inspections, and evaluations to promote economy and efficiency in VA programs and to prevent and detect criminal activity, waste, abuse, and mismanagement.

Prior to being sworn in as Inspector General, Mr. Missal was a Partner at K&L Gates LLP, a position he held since 1991. He was a member of the K&L Gates Management Committee and also served as Co-Leader for the K&L Gates Policy and Regulatory Practice Area.

Prior to joining K&L Gates in 1987, Mr. Missal served as Senior Counsel at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in the Division of Enforcement from 1983 to 1987. From 1982 to 1983, Mr. Missal served as a Law Clerk for Chief Judge H. Carl Moultrie I of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. He served in the Carter Administration from 1978 to 1981, initially as a Staff Assistant to Assistant to the President Anne Wexler and then as a Law Clerk to Counsel to the President Lloyd Cutler.

Mr. Missal received a Bachelor of Science degree with Special Attainments in Commerce from Washington and Lee University and a Juris Doctor degree from the Catholic University of America.